

This is the Henry Chatwin log barn, with adjacent (to the north) red pine home. It is located on the east side of Mill Road at its junction with Call Lane. Henry was an early school teacher in this valley and raised his families here. It is estimated to be well over 100 years old.

It stands sturdy after many years of use and is probably also made of red pine, which accounts for its endurance. Note the spacing between the logs...this writer surmises that this is purposely done to aid the drying of the hay. Undoubtedly, the barn also served as shelter for farm animals.

Successive owners have been: Henry Chatwin, Joseph Anderson, then his son, Bsp Ervin J Anderson. Florence and Erv lived there soon after they were married, until Erv started a lumber mill on the West Fork of the the Duchesne River. Then it was leased to Ferris and Marvin Sweat, till they moved to near Highway 40, into the Wm L Turner Home, on site of the present Turner Saw and Planing mill. Since then, the home became delapidated and in 1995 the wind blew an old cottonwood tree onto it and crushed it almost completely. If anyone can shed additional light this history, please call 654-1645 after 7pm.

Informants: Florence and Erv, many years ago, and Calvin Giles in Jan 1998.
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